WHAT HE SAID

'If you drive north, it's all sod farms; south it's older people.'

Leonard School Superintendent **TERRY WEST**, on why his student population has dwindled to fewer than 20. Read it on **A-17**.



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**>>> ON TAP** What's happening in and around Tulsa

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## **SUNDAY**

#### Might be misbehavin'

Darrell Christopher sings the blues, jazz, gospel roots and even more when he returns to the stage at Oklahoma Jazz Hall of Fame's Jazz Depot, 111 E. First

St., at 5 p.m. Sunday.

"An Evening With Darrell Christopher" means you'll hear him perform his signature songs, such as "Ain't Misbehavin," with a few surprises in store.

Tickets are \$3-\$10. 596-1001, www.tulsaworld.com/jazz

#### **MONDAY**

#### Music of the night

Broadway and basketball are coming to Tulsa, and tickets for both go on sale Monday.

Broadway comes to the Tulsa Performing Arts Center with the romance, menace and tragedy of Andrew Lloyd Webber's lavish megamusical "Phantom of the Opera," June 18-July 13. Tickets are

\$25-\$75 (service charges may apply) and available for purchase at the PAC box office, Third Street and Cincinnati Avenue, and also at area Homeland stores. Tickets are available at 596-7111, (800) 364-7111 or go to www.tulsaworld.com/mytix.

Tickets also will be available for the NBA exhibition game at the BOK Center between the Houston Rockets and Orlando Magic. The game is at 7:30 p.m. on Oct. 13. Tickets are \$62, \$47 and \$27. For information, call (877) TULSA-CC or go online to **bokcenter.com** or tickets.com.

#### **TUESDAY**

### Long-term lease

"Rent" is due this Tuesday, as the touring production of this award-winning musical returns to Tulsa for two shows at

the Tulsa Performing Arts Center. Performances are 7:30 p.m. Tuesday and Wednesday in the Chapman Music Hall. Tickets are \$37.50 and \$45 — special front-row seats for \$20 each will be available one hour before curtain.

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# WHAT'S NEW

Lunch Bunch: Are you constantly trying to find something good to eat for lunch? From frozen dinners to peanut butter and jelly sandwiches, our Lunch Bunch group has tried it all. Check out their findings at www.tulsaworld.com/ lunchbunch.

# FROM THE BLOGS

**What happened?:** When I moved to Tulsa in 1971 from a small town in central Oklahoma, Seminole, it was like moving to Paris (France not Texas).

I grew up about 60 miles from Oklahoma City and it was the City. It was where we went for the state fair, Christmas shopping and the occasional visit to a friend or family member in the hospital.

I never cared for Oklahoma City. Nothing personal, but big buildings and confusing streets were a lot for a small-town boy to take. And as a boy I was convinced that if I rolled down the window of the car while riding through certain parts of the city, I would be grabbed from the car and God knows what would have been done to me.

It was windy, dusty (lots of red dirt flying around), oil derricks sticking up everywhere, including on the Capitol grounds, and pretty much a cow town.

Tulsa was green and full of beautiful trees - not the blackjack oaks that I was all too familiar with. From the day I moved here I had no trouble finding my way around. City planners had laid the city out on a grid.

- Associate Editor Mike Jones

Read the rest of this entry and other blogs at www.tulsaworld.com/blogs

# FRIDAY'S TOP 5

The most popular stories read online in the last 24 hours:

1. ORU moves to trim its debt: Trustees decide to spend about half of a \$62 million gift to pay down the

2. Bill would lower concealed-gun age to 18 3. Tulsa carnival company trying to buy defunct Kansas amusement park
4. Three new Wal-Mart Supercenters planned for Oklahoma

5. Police - 4-year-old girl drunk at OKC school

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# Hockey's big prize

Stanley Cup visits Tulsa

#### By David Harper World Staff Writer

The Holy Grail was in Tulsa on

Saturday. Broken Arrow, too. At least that's the way hardcore hockey fans look at the Stanley Cup, which made various appearances in the

Tulsa metropolitan area on the second day of its two-day visit. Hopefully, you can forgive those fans for a little blasphemy. Since 1893, thousands of men have fought and bled for the three-foot-tall, 35-pound, silver chalice that is as shiny as the sun on your wedding day.

"I was in awe even when I was still outside looking at it through the glass," said 37-year-old Los Angeles Kings fan Michael Eng, who dropped by the U.S. Cellular store near 71st Street and Garnett Road to bask in the cup's gleam with his 3-year-old daughter, Gabriella. Michelle Collinsworth, field marketing manager for U.S. Cellular, said that the company

worked with the Central Hockey League's Tulsa

Oilers to arrange the cup's appearance as "something unique for Tulsa." Besides appearing at another U.S. Cellular ocation on Friday other scheduled stops for Lord Stanley's Cup were Oilers' games Friday and Saturday nights, two sports-oriented restaurants, the Children's Hospital at St. Francis and a visit with 100-year-old

ex-Oiler Sonny Wakeford. Stanley Cup tradition holds that no player should physically touch the cup until he has won it. If he does, the legend holds he will never win it on the ice.

Hockey players and fans take that kind of thing very seriously. At age 33, Bostonarea native Greg Bresciano may be a little long in the tooth to attract the eyes of National Hockey League scouts.

Still, when his turn to get up close to the Cup came on Saturday he didn't lay a finger on it.

"I'm still hoping," Bresciano said wistfully.

Tyler Schulz, 11, wore his Chicago Blackhawks jersey on Saturday and was able to find his favorite team and its players listed most recently as the 1961 Cup winners.

That was so long ago that Schulz's 43-year-old father wasn't even alive then.

However, the Owasso 5thgrader's 75-year-old grandfather, Jim Schulz, was. He recalled Saturday that he would frequently go to the old Chicago Stadium to see Bobby Hull and the 'Hawks in their glory days.

"It's probably the most famous trophy in the world," the elder Schulz said.

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>>> WAY BACK WHEN Today in history

## By GENE CURTIS

1933

A banking holiday was extended "until further proclamation" by President Franklin D. Roosevelt, exercising the extraordinary power granted him by Congress that he called into special session. The bill had been rushed through Congress in eight hours and gave the new president almost dictatorial powers.

The Alaska Highway signpost in Dawson Creek, B.C.

Construction of the 1,522-mile-long Alaska Highway from Dawson Creek, B.C., to Fairbanks began. The idea of such a highway had been considered as early as 1930 but after the bombing necessity. The highway was completed in October but has been shortened and brought up to highway standards since.

Oklahoma Supreme Court Justice N.B. Johnson was asked to take a lie detector test after former Justice N.S. Corn said he gave Johnson and Justice Earl Welch \$7,500 each from \$25,000 he received for a favorable ruling. Corn had pleaded no contest and was convicted of federal income tax evasion the year before. Welch also was convicted of federal income tax evasion and resigned from the court later that month. Johnson was ousted in impeachment proceedings.

# 1974

Lady Bird Johnson, the late former president's wife, laughed, newsman Walter Cronkite blushed and a streaker was dragged out the door of the University of Texas Library in Austin where Cronkite received an award for outstanding achievement. The fad of running about naked in public places started in the U.S. but had spread to England and Germany.

President Ronald Reagan, who played George Gipp in the 1940 movie "Knute Rockne, All American," presided at the unveiling of a stamp issued in Rockne's memory at Notre Dame University.

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